

# Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George

with Our Lady of Walsingham & the English Martyrs

A parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster

Year C

+ SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER—DIVINE MERCY

27 April 2025

His Holiness Pope Francis—Requiescat in Pace

*The following passage is from the Bull of Indiction for the Holy Year of 2025. 'Spes non confundit' was written by the late Pope. How appropriate these words are in the light of his recent death. We give thanks for his Petrine ministry and long life of service. Jesu mercy, Mary pray.*

'The death and resurrection of Jesus is the heart of our faith and the basis of our hope. Saint Paul states this succinctly by the use of four verbs: "I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas and then to the twelve" ( 1 Cor 15:3-5). Christ *died, was buried, was raised and appeared*. For our sake, Jesus experienced the drama of death. The Father's love raised him in the power of the Spirit, and made of his humanity the first fruits of our eternal salvation. Christian hope consists precisely in this: that in facing death, which appears to be the end of everything, we have the certainty that, thanks to the grace of Christ imparted to us in Baptism, "life is

changed, not ended", forever. Buried with Christ in Baptism, we receive in his resurrection the gift of a new life that breaks down the walls of death, making it a passage to eternity.

The reality of *death*, as a painful separation from those dearest to us, cannot be mitigated by empty rhetoric. The Jubilee, however, offers us the opportunity to appreciate anew, and with immense gratitude, the gift of the new life that we have received in Baptism, a life capable of transfiguring death's drama. It is worth reflecting, in the context of the Jubilee, on how that mystery has been understood from the earliest centuries of the Church's life. An example would be the tradition of building baptismal fonts in the shape of an octagon, as seen in many ancient baptisteries, like that of Saint John Lateran in Rome. This was intended to symbolize that Baptism is the dawn of the "eighth day", the day of the resurrection, a day that transcends the normal, weekly passage of time, opening it to the dimension of eternity and to life everlasting: the goal to which we tend on our earthly pilgrimage' (cf. *Rom* 6:22).

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### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The sick & housebound:** We remember all those who are suffering in body, mind and spirit, and we pray that the Risen Lord may bring them peace and healing.

**Those who have died:** Pope Francis, Fr Aidan Sharratt, Maria Sesto, Karen Bisset, John Egan, Gene Mancini, Eileen Patricia (Pat) Archer, Edward Watkins, Eleanor Gibbings, Mary Ryan, Mercy Churcher and Jeronimo De Sousa -Gomes.

### THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

**The lamps burn this week for the following intentions:**

By the Tabernacle (left)—Marie Coutinho—healing

By the Tabernacle (Right) - Ward Family—intentions

Our Lady's Chapel— Pope Francis—Rest in Peace

Sacred Heart Chapel—Damian Pinkett—special intention

St George—For the Parish

By the Tabernacle in OLW—The College of Cardinals



### PARISH NOTICES

**Easter Thanks.** I take this opportunity to reiterate my thanks to all who helped with the celebration of Holy Week and the Triduum in particular. All went so well and it is largely thanks to the many parishioners who give so generously of their time and talents. Additionally, the other clergy join me in thanking you for your generous Easter gifts and cards. These are much appreciated. We are praying for you all. Fr Daniel.

**Easter Lilies.** A sincere thank you to those who contributed to this collection. As you can see, your contributions have helped to provide the delightful floral arrangements. We will ensure that the flowers continue to bloom throughout the 50 days of Easter, thanks to your generosity. The Mass in which your loved ones will be especially remembered is on **Friday 30 May at 12 noon.**

**St George's Day** this year is on Monday 28th April, due to the Easter Octave. Sung Mass at 7 pm in OLSG. The preacher will be Monsignor Roger Reader (PP of Willesden Green). There will be a drinks reception after

Mass so that we can toast St George and our parish and meet fellow parishioners.

**Reflections on the Easter Gospels**—each Friday in Eastertide after the 12 noon Mass at OLSG. All welcome.

**Sunday Vespers & Benediction**—in the Holy Family Convent Chapel—this Sunday at 4 pm. All are welcome.

**Holy Hour—First Friday 2nd May** —in OLSG from 6-7pm with confessions available. A lovely way to start Our Lady's month of May.

**Saturdays 3rd and 10th May.** Mass as usual at 9.30 am but no Adoration or Confessions that morning due to the First Holy Communion celebrations taking place.

**Saturday 17th May.** Mass as usual at 9.30 am but no Adoration or Confessions that morning due to the Confirmation Masses.

**Jubilee/Holy Year.** In this year when we are Pilgrims into Hope the Cardinal has nominated Jubilee Churches in each area of the diocese. The Jubilee Church for the northern area is the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden. The annual May

Procession will take place there on Sunday 11 May starting at 3 pm. We hope to travel to this via public transport. More details next week. In terms of the Jubilee, please see the diocesan website for more information about the Jubilee Year: <https://rcdow.org.uk/jubilee-2025/>

**North Enfield Foodbank.** Collection as usual next weekend—3/4th May. As I type up this newsletter there has been a request for three vouchers for the Foodbank. It is clearly a much needed resource. Thanks for your donations—remember, please no perishable goods.

**Coffee Mornings at OLSG.** There will be a Coffee Morning after the 9 am Mass and 10.30 am this Sunday. There is always a Coffee Morning after the 10 am Mass at OLW. All welcome, especially newcomers and visitors.

**Farewell Mass and thank you to Bishop (Archbishop) John Sherrington.** Thursday 15 May at 5.30 pm in Westminster Cathedral. All welcome.

**Next SVP Meeting on** Monday 19th May at 7pm in the Parish Centre.

**Mount Carmel Ladies Group**—meets this Thursday 1 May from 12.45 pm in the Parish Centre. The talk is by Linda Clarke with painting. There will be the usual raffle.

**Lay Fraternity of St Charles de Foucauld.** Meets on Tuesday 6 May at 10.15 am—11.45 am in the Challoner Room. All are welcome. Come and share your Easter experiences. Contact Kathy on 020 8366 4034 for details.

**Young adults (18-35)** are invited to an Enfield Deanery gathering on Friday 9th May, 7.30-9.30pm at Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St George, Enfield (EN2 6DS). Worship music, speaker & Adoration followed by social. Any questions—[annamcmullan@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:annamcmullan@rcdow.org.uk) or speak to your priest.

**Young adults (18-35).** Calling all footballers. The Westminster Youth Ministry is organizing a JPII 5-a-side football tournament to take place on Saturday 14 June. Please contact Ryan on 07446 950695 for further details.

**Social Committee for the Parish.** This Social Committee was set up to organise social events, providing opportunities for parishioners to connect as a community. The events vary, whether it be the brass band concert or smaller gatherings. The Social Committee welcomes your ideas Email [enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk) or leave a note at the Parish Office.

**Save the date– Jubilee Parish Walk at Forty Hall** Sat 31st May; Meet at Forty Hall at 11.30am. The walk is 1.5hrs approximately.

Email [enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk) for details and to register.

### **FINANCE**

**Giving by Standing Order.** Would you consider donating your offering by Standing Order? If so, the payment details are: **HSBC Bank Plc**, Sort Code: **40-05-20**, a/c no: **21309110** a/c name: **WRCDT Enfield**; your surname as reference. Please email us to let us know: [enfieldgac@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:enfieldgac@rcdow.org.uk)

**To Donate to the Parish or to Gift Aid your Donation** please visit our Diocesan website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/enfield/donate/>

**Standing Orders**—this is the best way of making regular contributions to the parish.

**CAR PARKING AT OLSG** - Please will those parking in order to visit the church and the presbytery remember to enter their registration number Monday to Saturday. Please park charitably.

**Vehicles not parked in bays will receive a Penalty Charge notice.** Fr Daniel

To watch live-stream (LS): [www.catholicenfield.org/live-stream/](http://www.catholicenfield.org/live-stream/)  
**LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES**

**Sun 27th Apr + SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER—DIVINE MERCY** *Week 2*

*Acts 5:12-16 Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 John 20:19-31*

**OLSG:** Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon (LS), 6pm.

**OLW:** Mass 10am. **HFC:** Vespers & Benediction 4pm.

**Mon 28th Apr ST GEORGE, Martyr, Patron of England and of this parish**

**HFC:** Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7–8pm

**OLSG:** Church cleaning 10am, Mass 12 noon (LS) Sung Mass 7 pm

**Tues 29th Apr SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA, Virgin & Doctor of the Church**

**HFC:** Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm

**OLSG:** Mass 12 noon

**Wed 30th Apr Saint Pius V, Pope**

**HFC:** Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm

**OLSG:** **Funeral** Mass 12 noon (LS) - Eleanor Gibbings R.I.P.

**Thur 1st May St Joseph the Worker**

**OLSG:** Mass 12 noon. Reception of the body of John Egan - 6pm

**OLW:** Mass at 9.30 am **HFC:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—4-5pm

**Fri 2nd May St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

**OLSG:** Mass 10 am, Funeral Mass 12 noon (LS) —John Egan KSG R.I.P

Holy Hour 6-7 pm with Confessions

**Sat 3rd May SAINTS PHILIP & JAMES, Apostles**

**OLSG:** Mass 9.30 am. First Holy Communion Masses at 11.30 am & 2.30 pm

Adoration & Confession 5 pm - 5.45 pm. Mass 6pm

**Sun 4th May + THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

*Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19*

**OLSG:** Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12 noon (LS) 6pm. **OLW:** Mass at 10am

**OLSG:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George, 45 London Road, EN2 6DS

**OLW:** Our Lady of Walsingham, Holtwhites Hill, EN2 8HG

**HFC:** Holy Family Convent, 52 London Road, EN2 6EN

**(LS):** Mass also live-streamed: [www.catholicenfield.org/live-stream/](http://www.catholicenfield.org/live-stream/)

**In OLSG:** On weekdays the Rosary and the Litany will usually be said at 11.30am

**OLSG church is open:** Monday-Friday 7am-6pm; Saturday-Sunday 7am-7pm. Morning Prayer at 7.30am

**Mass in Polish:** For information visit [www.parafiaenfield.org](http://www.parafiaenfield.org)